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Arkansas Chick Placements Down 2 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 23.7 million during the week ending September 8, 2007. Placements were down 2 percent from the comparable week in 2006, and down 3 percent from the previous week, and included 2.5 million chicks shipped in from other states.

The broiler-type chicks hatched for the week were 23.6 million, virtually unchanged from the corresponding week a year earlier, but down 1 percent from the previous week. Of the total hatch, 2.0 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 83 percent.

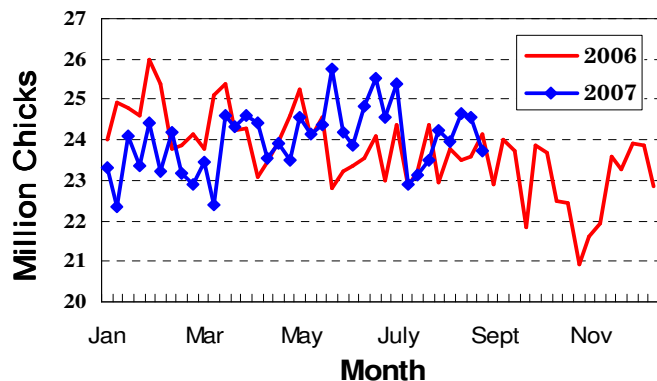
Arkansas hatcheries set 27.2 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending September 8, 2007, down 2 percent from the same period last year, and down 4 percent from the previous week.

Week Ending ¹	Chicks Placed			Chicks Hatched			Eggs Set		
	2006	2007	% of Prev. Year	2006	2007	% of Prev. Year	2006	2007	% of Prev. Year
	<i>Thousand</i>			<i>Thousand</i>			<i>Thousand</i>		
Aug. 4	24,380	23,512	96	23,409	23,601	101	28,252	28,256	100
Aug. 11	22,939	24,226	106	23,325	23,437	100	28,334	28,414	100
Aug. 18	23,756	23,964	101	23,355	23,648	101	28,442	28,305	100
Aug. 25	23,489	24,673	105	23,410	23,774	102	28,526	28,234	99
Sep. 1	23,584	24,551	104	23,214	23,810	103	28,083	28,271	101
Sep. 8	24,145	23,745	98	23,543	23,565	100	27,701	27,155	98

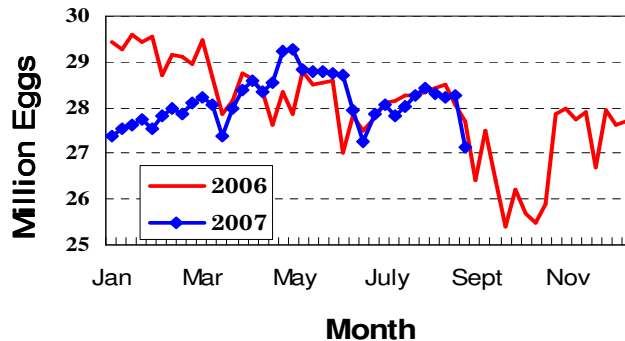
¹ For previous year, it is the comparable week.

* Revised in current week

Chicks Placed In Arkansas, 2006-2007



Eggs Set In Arkansas, 2006 - 2007



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Weeks, August 11, 2007 - September 8, 2007

State	Eggs Set							Chicks Placed						
	Week Ending							Week Ending						
	11-Aug	18-Aug	25-Aug	1-Sep	8-Sep	% 1/		11-Aug	18-Aug	25-Aug	1-Sep	8-Sep	% 1/	
	<i>Thousand</i>							<i>Thousand</i>						
Alabama	32,236	32,061	31,528	31,432 *	30,964	104		21,401	21,217	21,361	21,594 *	20,767	95	
Arkansas	28,414	28,305	28,234	28,271	27,155	98		24,226	23,964	24,673	24,551	23,745	98	
Delaware	4,169	4,186	3,958	3,974	3,954	103		4,464 *	5,130	5,224	4,937 *	4,874	101	
Florida	1,342	1,344 *	1,366	1,344	1,344	98		1,419	1,461	1,374	1,474	1,354	88	
Georgia	35,928	35,726 *	35,676	36,031	34,273	103		29,154	29,268	30,272	28,900	29,648	106	
Kentucky	7,801	7,853 *	7,666	7,616 *	7,214	102		6,874 *	6,388 *	6,032 *	6,170 *	6,500	107	
Louisiana	4,014	4,044	4,044	4,038	4,037	107		3,900	3,618	3,835	3,865	3,979	106	
Maryland	8,752	8,823	8,624	8,360	8,500	99		6,908 *	5,326 *	5,575	5,860 *	6,109	103	
Mississippi	18,726	18,656	17,771	17,633	18,093	108		16,978	16,920	17,090	17,079 *	16,947	107	
N. Carolina	19,713	19,074 *	19,885	19,341	17,926	103		16,073	16,428	16,123	16,300 *	15,934	108	
Oklahoma	6,574	6,627	6,780	6,720	6,749	104		4,173	4,918	4,205	4,521 *	4,897	100	
Pennsylvania	4,232	4,341 *	4,246	4,179 *	4,194	111		3,051	3,061 *	2,954	3,126 *	3,249	116	
S. Carolina	5,743	5,554	5,592	5,370	5,390	109		5,657	5,076	4,430	4,830	4,057	82	
Texas	14,741 *	15,027 *	14,995 *	14,970 *	14,189	97		12,913 *	12,834 *	12,020 *	12,345 *	12,486	98	
Virginia	6,249	6,245	6,349	6,290 *	6,211	100		4,584	4,820	5,080	4,916 *	5,271	110	
CA,MO,TN & WV	19,083 *	19,065	19,254 *	19,438 *	18,857	102		16,835 *	17,994 *	17,334 *	17,144 *	17,177	100	
19 State Total	217,717 *	216,931 *	215,968 *	215,007 *	209,050			178,610 *	178,423 *	177,582 *	177,612 *	176,994		
Prev. Year Total	212,573	212,830	213,141	211,613	204,137			175,423	175,536	174,052	173,686	174,016		
% of Prev. Year	102	102	101	102	102			102	102	102	102	102		
Approximate Marketing Date 2007 2/								29-Sep	6-Oct	13-Oct	20-Oct	27-Oct		

* Revised in current week.

1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

2/ Industry average; seven weeks from placement.

Broiler Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 2 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 209 million eggs in incubators during the week ending September 8, 2007. This was up 2 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Up 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 177 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 8, 2007. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative Placements from December 31, 2006 through September 8, 2007 were 6.37 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.